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## Appointments.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
21st November, 1874.

**HIS EXCELLENCY** the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been pleased to place **ALLAN GRAHAM**, of Manson Creek, ESQUIRE, on the Commission of the Peace, in and for the District of Omineca.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
21st November, 1874.

**HIS EXCELLENCY** the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint **ALLAN GRAHAM**, of Manson Creek, ESQUIRE, to be Coroner in and for the District of Omineca.

## Proclamations.

[L. S.] JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.  
CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Thursday, the Twelfth day of November, next, to have been commenced and held, and every of you—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEO. A. WALKER, } **WHEREAS** the meeting of the  
Attorney-General. } Legislature or Parliament  
of the Province of British Columbia, stands called for  
Thursday, the Twelfth day of November next, at  
which time at Our City of Victoria, you were held and  
constrained to appear.

NOW KNOW YE that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on Thursday, the Tenth day of the Month of December

you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament, of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, and therein to do as may seem necessary. Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honorable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Twenty-fourth day of October, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and in the thirty-eighth year Our Reign.

By Command.

HENRY S. MASON,  
Deputy Registrar Supreme Court.

## Government Notices.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
16th October, 1874.

**THE** Lieutenant-Governor in Council directs the publication of the following Report of the Royal Commission, appointed to enquire into the allegations relating to the acquisition of Texada Island.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,  
Provincial Secretary.

To the Honorable JOSEPH W. TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia.

The undersigned, members of the Royal Commission, appointed by Your Excellency, on the 13th day of March last, to enquire into and report upon the allegations of the Honorable Member for Nanaimo, viz: "That prominent members of the late and present Government were in a ring to acquire possession of Texada Island, in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the public:" beg, unanimously, to report that, on the 24th March, under and by virtue of such Commission, they held an open Court at the Supreme Court in the City of Victoria, for that purpose, and continued to hold such open Court, by various sittings, until the 18th day of April, when they adjourned their sittings to New Westminster, for the greater facility of obtaining evidence and continuing the investigation there.

That they held an open Court at the Court House in New Westminster, by various sittings, until the 27th day of April, when they re-adjourned to the City of Victoria, re-opened the said Court there, and continued the investigations, by various sittings, until the 6th instant.

That, at such sittings, the three Commissioners were all present, except on one occasion, viz., the 20th day of August, at Victoria, when an enquiry was held before the Honorable Messrs. Crease and Gray, as to the mode of examination, by interrogatories, of Mr. DeCosmos, a witness then absent at Ottawa, the Chief Justice on that occasion not being present, owing to his having gone to Cassiar on circuit.

That at these various sittings, of which public notice was always given in the newspapers in Victoria, the Honorable Member for Nanaimo, Mr. Robson, was always present, and was afforded every opportunity, by examination and cross-examination of the witnesses, and by suggestion and argument, to promote the enquiry and establish the charge.

That, in the course of the examination, an inquisitorial latitude was allowed, exceeding the extent of permission ever granted in Courts of Law governed by the rules of legal evidence.

That all persons who were alleged as being able to give information touching the subject of enquiry, or



whose names were suggested to the Commissioners, were subpoenaed as witnesses, and examined and cross-examined.

That all books of account, or business of the persons or firms, in which it was asserted that information could be found, were ordered to be produced, were produced and inspected.

That persons who were beyond the jurisdiction of the Province, and who, it was stated, were inculpated in the charge, or were alleged to be capable of giving information, were examined by interrogatories prepared by the Commissioners, of which copies were, before being sent, read in open Court, or otherwise submitted to the Member for Nanaimo, for any suggestions he might make, points to which he might desire the enquiry to be directed, or any particular question he might wish to put.

That all parties were invited to come forward and submit to the Commissioners any information they could give, that would aid in arriving at the truth.

That Messrs. Walkem, Beaven, DeCosmos, Robson, and the other witnesses in British Columbia were examined and cross-examined on oath; Sir John Macdonald, Dr. Tupper, and Mr. Sproat, witnesses beyond the jurisdiction of the Province, on interrogatories not under oath.

That all sources of enquiry, within their reach or under their control, having been now exhausted, and the evidence produced, duly weighed and considered, they find and report, that the truth of the allegations aforesaid, so far as the same refer to the good government of this Province, or reflect upon the conduct of any part of the public business thereof, has not been proved; and that no evidence has been produced before them to show "that prominent or any members of the late and present Government were in a 'ring' to acquire possession of Texada Island, in a manner 'prejudicial to the interests of the public.'"

And they beg further to report, that although there were circumstances apparently suspicious attending the pre-emptions in Texada Island in August, 1873, yet, in their opinion, upon a thorough examination of those circumstances, there is no sufficient ground to believe that any member of the late or present Government, either by himself, or in unlawful or dishonorable combination with any other person, has attempted to acquire possession of the whole or of any part of Texada Island, in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the public.

They submit herewith the evidence taken, the correspondence produced and passed between all parties connected with the enquiry, and the interrogatories sent to the persons abroad, with their replies.

Dated, at Victoria, B. C., this 8th October, 1874.

MATT. B. BEGBIE,  
HENRY P. PELLEW CREASE, } *Commissioners.*  
J. HAMILTON GRAY,

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,  
OTTAWA, Oct. 27th, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you, a Circular Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, communicating the opinion of the law officers of the Crown as to whether Certificates of Naturalization granted in the United Kingdom extend to the Colonies.

May I request that you will have the goodness to cause publicity to be given to this Despatch in the Province of British Columbia.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN.

To His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor  
of British Columbia.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET,  
Sept. 10th, 1874.

SIR,—In consequence of an application made to this office by a gentleman naturalized in 1873 in this country to be allowed the rights and privileges of a British Subject in Gibraltar, the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown has been taken as to whether Certificates of Naturalization granted in the United Kingdom extend to the Colonies.

2. The Act 7 and 8 Vict. (1844), c. 66, sec. 6. provided that upon obtaining the Certificate, and taking the Oath therein mentioned, every Alien then residing in, or who should thereafter come to reside in, any part of Great Britain or Ireland, should enjoy all the rights of a British Subject. The Act 10 and 11 Vict., c. 83, section 3, expressly enacted that the above

Act of 1844 should not extend to the Colonies. The Act 33, Vict. (1870), c. 14, sec. 7, enacted that an Alien to whom a Certificate of Naturalization should be granted, should, in the United Kingdom, be entitled to all political and other rights, &c., of a British Subject.

3. Her Majesty's Government are advised that the operation of the above enactments is clearly confined to the United Kingdom, and that a Certificate of Naturalization, granted under either of the Acts of 1844 or 1870, confers upon an Alien no rights or privileges in a British Colony.

4. As this subject is one of general interest, and with a view to remove any doubts which may exist in the Colony under your Government upon the point, I have thought it desirable that the state of the Law should be made known in a Circular Despatch to all the Colonies.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) CARNARVON.

The Officer Administering  
the Government of Canada.

## NOTICE.

A COURT of General Assize and Gaol Delivery and of Nisi Prius, will be held at Nanaimo, on Wednesday, the 11th day of November next, and at Victoria, on Monday, the 23rd day of November next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated, 24th of October, 1874.

By Command.

JOHN ASH.

Provincial Secretary.

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in accordance with the provisions of the "Thompson Bridge Toll Act, 1864," and the "Thompson Bridge Ordinance, 1868," the moneys arising from the said Bridge and Tolls will, on and after Monday, the 28th of September, 1874, become part of the Public Revenue, and are to be accounted for as such.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.  
Victoria, 24th September, 1874.

## NOTICE.

TOWNSHIPS 5 AND 6, INCLUDING WESTHAM ISLAND, NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the provisions of the "Land Act, 1874," that the land included within the boundaries of Townships No. 5 and 6 and Westham Island, have been subdivided by Survey, and the Maps thereof have been deposited in the office H. V. EDMONDS, Commissioner, New Westminster.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works  
Lands & Works Office,  
Victoria, October 17th, 1874.

## NOTICE.

GROUP ONE, NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the provisions of the "Land Act, 1874," that the following land, in Group one, New Westminster District, has been subdivided by survey, and the Maps have been deposited in the Office of Henry V. EDMONDS, Commissioner, New Westminster:—

On the South shore of Burrard Inlet, above the second narrows, Lots 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, and 218.

On that portion of the Inlet known as Port Moody, Lots 219, 220, 221, 225, 226, 227, 228, and Lots 231 and 232, in the vicinity of Pitt River.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.  
Lands & Works Department,  
Victoria, October 17th, 1874.



## NOTICE.

### TOWNSHIP No. 4, NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the provisions of the "Land Act, 1874," that Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, and 29, Township No. 4, have been subdivided by survey, and the Map thereof has been deposited in the Office of Henry V. Edmonds, Commissioner, New Westminster.

ROBERT BEAVEN,  
*Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.*  
*Lands & Works Department,*  
*Victoria, October 17th, 1874.*

## NOTICE.

### BLOCK THREE NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the provisions of the "Land Act, 1874," that the following land in Block Three North, Range Six West, New Westminster District, has been subdivided by Survey, and the Map has been deposited in the office of HENRY V. EDMONDS, Commissioner, New Westminster.

Lots, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22.

ROBERT BEAVEN,  
*Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.*  
*Lands & Works Office,*  
*Victoria, 17th October, 1874.*

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS, endorsed, "Tender for Quesnelle River Bridge," will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon of Thursday, 14th of January next, 1875, for the construction of a Bridge across the Quesnelle River.

Plans and specifications can be seen, and blank forms of tender and agreement to execute bond, can be obtained at the office of the Lands and Works Department, Victoria, and at the Town of Quesnelle.

Each Tender must be accompanied by an agreement to execute a bond, duly signed by the Contractor himself and two other responsible residents of the Province, in a penal sum amounting to one-third the contract price, for the faithful completion of the work.

No tender will be accepted unless accompanied with an agreement to execute a bond as above.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

ROBERT BEAVEN,  
*Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.*  
*Lands & Works Department,*  
*Victoria, October 15th, 1874.*

## NOTICE.

### TOWNSHIPS No. 1 AND 2, NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the provisions of the "Land Act, 1874," that the land included within the boundaries of Townships No. 1 and 2, New Westminster District, have been subdivided by survey, and the maps thereof have been deposited in the office of Henry V. Edmonds, Commissioner, New Westminster.

ROBERT BEAVEN,  
*Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.*  
*Lands & Works Department,*  
*Victoria, 3rd October, 1874.*

### EXTRACT FROM "LAND ACT, 1874."

21. Where an official survey shall be made, in which shall be included the land the right to which has been acquired previous to the passing of this Act, but for which a Crown Grant has not been issued, and a map of such survey shall have been deposited in the office of the Commissioner, and notice thereof shall have been published in the British Columbia Gazette, the lawful claimant of such land shall, within three months thereafter, make and file

with the Commissioner a written and dated statement, describing the land claimed and the locality of his improvements thereon, based upon the survey made, and fully describing the legal subdivision claimed, and shall also make and file with the Commissioner a declaration, in such form as may be required by the Commissioner, signed by himself and two residents in the locality of such land, or two persons acquainted with the facts; and unless two or more parties are claimants of the same land, the Commissioner shall, at the expiration of such three months, enter such land so rectified by such survey in the name of such claimant in the District Register.

22. If, within three months after the making of such survey and a deposit of the map of such survey in the office of the Commissioner, and a notice thereof published in the British Columbia Gazette, the claimant mentioned in the preceding clause shall fail to make and furnish the written and dated statement and declaration required as aforesaid; or if such declaration shall be fraudulently obtained, or if it shall contain wilfully false statements, the land so entered, with all improvements thereon, shall be forfeited to the Crown, and such settler shall have no further right therein or thereto; and the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works may cancel the record of such land in the books of the Land Office, and the certificate given on the making of such record shall thenceforth be deemed null and void to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

## Miscellaneous Notices.

## NOTICE

### Private Bills.

ALL applications for Private Bills, properly the subject of legislation by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, within the purview of the "British North America Act, 1867," whether for the erection of a Bridge, the making of a Railroad, Turnpike Road, or Telegraph Line; the construction or improvement of a Harbour, Canal, Lock, Dam, or Slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of Ferry; the incorporation of any particular trade or calling, or of any Joint Stock Co.; or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act,—shall require a Notice, clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application, to be published as follows:—

A notice inserted in the BRITISH COLUMBIA GAZETTE, and in one newspaper published in the District affected, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest District in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a period of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the Petition.

Before any Petition, praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge is presented to the House, the person or persons intending to petition for such Bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding rule, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

J. ROLAND HETT,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

5th March, 1874.

## NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th of October, all mining claims legally held in the Omineca District, will be laid over until the 1st day of June, 1875.

FRANCIS PAGE,  
*Assistant Gold Commissioner.*  
*Omineca, 9th October, 1874.*



**IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**

SESSION, 1874-5.

**CITY OF VICTORIA WATER-WORKS.**

**N**OTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that it is intended to make application to the Legislative Assembly, during the next ensuing Session, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the "Corporation of Victoria Water-works Act, 1873," so as to enable the Corporation of the City of Victoria to issue Debentures to the extent of \$50,000 in addition to those already issued under the provisions of the said Act, for the purpose of completing the Water-works of the said City of Victoria.

WM. LEIGH,  
*Clerk to the Corporation.*

**NOTICE.**

**N**OTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that application will be made at the next Session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, by the WILLIAMS CREEK BED-ROCK FLUME AND DITCH COMPANY (Limited), for an Act to renew in favor of the said Company, for a further period of ten years from the 29th day of March, 1876, all and singular the rights, privileges, and benefits conferred upon them by the "Williams Creek Flume Ordinance, 1866."

Dated, October 2nd, 1874.

**NOTICE**

*In the matter of the Estate and Effects of JAMES C. HOAGLAND, deceased, intestate.*

**A**LL persons who are indebted to the above Estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith; and all persons who have any claims against the said Estate are required to send in their accounts, duly proved, on or before the 8th day of November, 1874, to

CHAS. E. POOLEY,  
*Official Administrator.*

*Dated, Victoria, 8th day of August, 1874.*

**NOTICE.**

*In the matter of the Estate and Effects of ALLEN D. GRANT, deceased, intestate.*

**A**LL persons who are indebted to the above Estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith; and all persons who have any claims against the said Estate are required to send in their accounts, duly proved, on or before the 9th day of January, 1875, to

CHAS. E. POOLEY,  
*Official Administrator.*

*Dated, Victoria, 9th October, 1874.*

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**NOTICE.**

*In the matter of the Estate and Effects of JOHN S. TROOK, deceased, intestate.*

**A**LL persons who are indebted to the above Estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith; and all persons who have any claims against the said Estate are required to send in their accounts, duly proved, on or before the 9th day of January, 1875, to

CHAS. E. POOLEY,  
*Official Administrator.*

*Dated, Victoria, 9th October, 1874.*

**Gold Commissioner's Notice.**

**A**LL Mining Claims legally held in Cassiar District, British Columbia, will be laid over from the 1st October, 1874, till the 1st June, 1875, subject however to clause 9 of the "Gold Mining Amendment Act, 1872."

J. H. SULLIVAN,  
*Gold Commissioner.*

*Lake Town, Cassiar, 29th August, 1874.*

**IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**

SESSION, 1874-5.

**BRITISH COLUMBIA PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME.**

**N**OTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that application will be made at the next Session of the Legislative Assembly, for an Act to Incorporate the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home Association; an Association having for its object the care, maintenance, and education of Orphans and destitute children in British Columbia.

Dated at Victoria, the 6th day of July, 1874.

**NOTICE.**

**I**N accordance with the "Mineral Ordinance, 1869," and the "Mineral Ordinance Amendment Act, 1873," the Victoria Silver Mining Company (Limited) will apply for a Crown Grant of the amount of Land they are entitled to by ownership of Prospecting License No. (6) Six, issued in Yale District.

R. P. RITHET, *Secretary.*  
*Yale, July 14th, 1874.*

**GOLD COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.**

**O**N and after the 1st of November, next, all Claims in the Cariboo District, may be "laid over" till the 20th May, 1875, subject to the 9th Section of the "Gold Amendment Act, 1872."

H. M. BALL,  
*Gold Commissioner.*  
*Richfield,*  
*7th October, 1874.*